Amendment No. 1 to HB0552

<u>Terry</u> Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 1589

House Bill No. 552*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-155(a)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting the following:

- (2) "Store-and-forward telemedicine services" means the use of asynchronous computer-based communications, which may include the transfer of medical data in an image captured or created by a camera or similar device, between a healthcare provider and patient for the purpose of diagnosis, consultation, or treatment of the patient at a distant site where there may be no in-person exchange between the healthcare provider and the patient; and
 - (3) "Telehealth," "telemedicine," and "provider-based telemedicine" mean:
 - (A) The use of real time audio, video, or other electronic media and telecommunication technology that enables interaction between a healthcare provider and a patient for the purpose of diagnosis, consultation, or treatment of a patient at a distant site where there may be no in-person exchange between a healthcare provider and a patient; or
 - (B) Store-and-forward telemedicine services.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.